# ARKANSAS WEATHER AND CROP PROGRESS



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#### REPORTING FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 6 OF THE 2003 CROP YEAR

**RELEASED:** July 7, 3PM - Variable weather conditions have dictated field work across the state. There were 6 days suitable for field work. Soil moisture supplies were 2% very short, 26% short, 66% adequate, and 6% surplus.

**CROPS:** The main activities of the week were irrigating crops, finishing wheat harvest, and planting double cropped soybeans. In the eastern portion of the state, blast in numerous rice fields was reported. Farmers are applying mid-season nitrogen on rice and applying herbicides in soybean and rice fields. Soybeans are being sprayed and cotton is being side dressed. Peaches, blackberries, and watermelons are being harvested.

**LIVESTOCK:** Livestock were reported to be in good condition. When weather permits, producers are continuing to harvest hay, harvest fescue seed, and control weeds in pastures and hay meadows.

#### **Crop Progress and Conditions**

Progress %						Condition %				
CROP Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
CORN					0	2	20	51	27	
Silked	94	83	87	52						
Dough*	21	-	-	-						
SOYBEANS					2	7	31	44	14	
Planted	96	91	98	97						
Emerged	91	83	93	92						
Blooming*	14	-	17	18						
SORGHUM					1	4	32	52	11	
Heading	58	38	48	41						
COTTON					1	7	38	42	12	
Squaring	81	67	93	96						
Setting Bolls	13	2	23	27						
RICE					1	4	27	46	22	
Headed	2	0	3	4						
WHEAT		•								
Harvested	98	88	98	98						
HAY - OTHER					0	1	27	59	13	
HAY-ALFALFA					0	0	28	68	4	
PASTURE & RANGE					1	2	25	61	11	

<sup>\*</sup> First week to ask in 2003 crop progress report.

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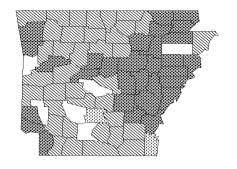
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## **SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES**

### WEATHER FOR THE WEEK ENDING:

July 6, 2003. Temperatures were near normal. Rainfall was above normal in isolated areas of the state. Several reporting stations recorded the high temperature of 96° and Calico Rock recorded the low temperature of 55°. Precipitation ranged from a high of 2.11 inches at Batesville to 0.00 inches at several reporting stations.



NO DATA

✓ VERY SHORT

SHORT

ADEQUATE

SURPLUS

### TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION WEEK ENDING: July 6, 2003

DISTRICT		MPERATUR		RAINFALL						
AND							JAN-JUN			
STATION	HIGH	LOW	FROM	ENDING	$\mathbf{JUL}$	JUL				
			NORM	JUL 6	ACCUM.	NORMAL	2003	NORMAL		
1 Fayetteville	91	63	-1	0.13	0.13	3.14	19.42	23.37		
Harrison	91	64	-1	0.38	0.38	2.72	16.60	22.95		
2 Calico Rock	94	55	0	0.00	0.00	3.07	19.62	23.37		
Gilbert	92	63	-1	0.14	0.14	2.62	21.84	23.17		
Greers Ferry	91	66	0	1.78	1.78	3.42	29.80	25.83		
Mountain Home	94	67	3	0.05	0.05	2.73	22.08	23.19		
3 Batesville	91	59	-3	2.11	2.11	3.13	30.84	24.24		
Jonesboro	92	68	-2	1.56	1.56	2.73	28.88	24.50		
Keiser	96	69	0	0.36	0.36	3.56	27.31	26.87		
Newport	95	69	0	0.31	0.31	3.31	33.83	25.16		
4 Booneville	94	65	-2	0.03	0.03	3.51	19.16	24.65		
Clarksville	94	65	0	0.80	0.80	2.90	20.30	24.05		
Dardanelle	93	67	0	0.00	0.00	3.31	19.14	25.11		
Ft. Smith	94	70	0	0.43	0.43	3.19	16.82	22.38		
Mena	91	62	-1	0.74	0.74	5.05	21.16	29.15		
Ozark	93	68	0	0.32	0.32	3.48	23.32	22.63		
5 Conway	91	69	-2	1.00	1.00	2.93	31.06	25.30		
Hot Springs	96	63	-2	0.19	0.19	4.18	26.64	29.68		
Little Rock	94	70	0	1.04	1.04	3.31	23.20	26.29		
N Little Rock	96	71	1	0.49	0.49	3.15	22.43	25.46		
6 Brinkley	93	65	0	0.11	0.11	3.15	21.33	27.41		
Marianna	94	69	-1	1.45	1.45	3.83	21.13	28.65		
Stuttgart	95	69	-1	0.00	0.00	3.24	26.64	26.64		
7 Hope	91	67	-1	0.32	0.32	3.78	25.83	27.65		
Texarkana	95	72	1	0.05	0.05	3.78	22.95	23.81		
8 Camden	93	69	-1	0.24	0.24	3.90	21.81	27.90		
El Dorado	93	69	-1	1.26	1.26	4.13	23.37	29.54		
Warren	93	69	0	1.51	1.51	4.04	27.52	29.59		
9 Eudora	95	71	0	2.04	2.04	3.57	25.64	32.40		
Pine Bluff	93	70	0	0.96	0.96	4.02	27.04	27.17		
Rohwer	92	69	-1	0.39	0.39	3.79	27.48	28.37		